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Radical IORT: Pros and cons; comparison of two trials ELIOT and TARGIT-A in breast cancer management

Background: IORT is an accepted standard treatment for early stages of breast cancer in selected cases. This is proven in two large trials: ELIOT and TARGIT-A based on electron high voltage beam and low kv x-ray energy respectively.

Method: Published results of the two trials aimed to evaluate local recurrence as the final outcome. In this study these result was comparing with each other.

Results: In ELIOT study the local recurrence rate is 4/4% versus 0.4% in the patients who received IORT and EBRT, in comparison to 3.2% and 1.3% in TARGIT-A trial, these differences needs to be under more consideration regarding the efficacy and beneficence of IORT. Hereby we are going to analyze the data of these two trials to confirm the strategy of IORT in breast cancer as boost or radical modalities. Patient selection according to classification of ASRTO or ESTRO guidelines confirmed the local recurrence rate of IOERT (ELIOT) in low risk patients similar to TARGIT decrease to less than 1.9%.

Conclusion: Statistical analysis revealed that in patients of both trials with matching clinical, pathological and biological Profile for both methods, the radical IORT using electron and Low kvX-rayare effective and acceptable. It seems in patients with low risk factors, IORT is more effective than EBRT; we compared ELIOT and TARGIT-Atrial documents and found all of similarity and difference and referred to these two trials recommending using IORT for selected cases of breast cancer.

Biography

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